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SUBJECT: COURT CASE -- MERIDIAN ENTERPRISES, INC.

REF: BRUSSELS 14975; STATE 151629

1. BRUSSELS COURT OF APPEALS ON JUNE 14, 1978,
ACTING ON A SECOND APPEAL SUBMITTED BY MERIDIAN ENTER-
PRISES AGAINST BANKRUPTCY DECISION OF THE NIVELLES COURT
OVERTURNED THE LOWER COURT'S ACTION. APPEALS COURT NOTED
THAT MERIDIAN'S HEADQUARTERS IS IN LOS ANGELES AND THAT
IN NIVELLES IT HAS ONLY BRANCH (SIEGE SECONDAIRE
D'EXPLOITATION) AND THAT THE BRANCH DOES NOT CONSTITUTE
A LEGAL ENTITY IN ITSELF. THE COURT POINTED OUT THAT
MERIDIAN IS NOT DOMICILED IN BELGIUM AND THEREFORE ONLY
A COURT LOCATED AT SEAT OF FIRM'S HEADQUARTERS CAN
EXERCISE JURISDICTION ON MATTERS OF BANKRUPTCY.

2. LAWYERS FOR MERIDIAN ARE VERY PLEASED BY APPEALS
COURT DECISION AND PLAN TO PUBLISH LEGAL ARTICLE ON CASE
WHICH THEY BELIEVE IS A STRONG REAFFIRMATION OF STRICT
LIMITS ON EXERCISE OF JURISDICTION BY LOCAL COURTS.
COMPANY MAY NOW DECIDE TO SUE BELGIUM GOVERNMENT FOR
DAMAGES RESULTING FROM ERRONEOUS BANKRUPTCY RULING.
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